

Geraldine Lucas Homestead,  
Russell Lucas Cabin  
On west bank of Cottonwood Creek approximately  
2 1/2 miles downstream of Jenny Lake  
Moose Vicinity  
Teton County  
Wyoming

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HISTORIC AMERICAN BUILDING SURVEY  
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Russell Lucas Cabin (WY-113-B):

A. General statement: Russell Lucas Cabin

1. Architectural character: This structure is a single story rectangular vernacular log cabin.
2. Condition of fabric: Overall, this cabin is in fair condition. The foundation, logs, chinking and daubing are mostly in fair condition and most of the floors are stable. However, the porch and roof are in poor condition and rapidly deteriorating.

B. Description of exterior:

1. Overall dimensions: 45'-6" by 35'-6"
2. Foundation: The foundation to the entire structure is a poured cement wall.
3. Walls: The walls to the cabin are unfinished log with squared lap rebated cornering.
4. Structural system: The structural system of the cabin is log.
5. Porches: The northern porch is covered and has a cement pier foundation. The floor beams are log, with unfinished wood plank floor boards. There is a single random rubble step to the porch. The eastern porch is constructed of coarsed rubble consisting of three steps and a landing. This smaller porch is covered by a gable awning.
6. Chimneys: There is an exterior coarsed rubble chimney on the south gable end. The second chimney is on the interior eastern slope, and is also coarsed rubble.
7. Openings:
  - a. Doorways and doors: The front door is brown stained, five panel with plain trim. This door has butt hinges and park service hardware. The eastern door is also brown stained and five panel with plain trim. The hardware and screen door are identical to those on Geraldine's cabin.

- b. Windows: All of the windows are sash with plain trim and brown stain. The northern wall has a single 6/6 pane sliding window. The western and eastern walls have three 6/6 pane double-hung windows, two of which are separated only by a mullion. The western wall also has an eight pane, three unit sliding ribbon window. The southern wall has two twenty-four pane fixed windows.

8. Roof:

- a. Shape and covering: This cabin has a low pitched front gable roof, which is continuous over the northern porch. This is also an open rafter roof with asphalt roll roof covering. The north gable end is filled with horizontal logs.
- b. Eaves: The eaves are exposed log rafter ends.

9. Details: There are vent openings in the foundation on the eastern, western and southern walls. These vents are wood framed and have wooden doors. One of the vents has a screen. Two of the vents are painted red, while the third is unfinished wood.

C. Description of interior:

- 1. Floor plan: This rectangular cabin has five rooms. The northeastern most room is the den. Via a small square hallway, a bathroom adjoins the den to the south. The bedroom occupies the northwestern corner of the cabin. A second bathroom adjoins this bedroom to the south. The living room occupies the entire southern half of the cabin.
- 2. Flooring: All of the flooring is 2 1/4 inch pine wood floor boards.
- 3. Wall and ceiling finishes: All exterior walls of the den are unfinished log, with all of the chinking intact. The southern wall of the den is similar to the kitchen wall in Geraldine's cabin. This wall is stained, vertical wood paneling extending to a height of eight feet. The space above this wall is open to the ceiling. There are log supporters

extending up from this wall to each rafter. Also similar to Geraldine's cabin, the coursed rubble chimney does not extend below the panel wall. The ceiling to the den is open log rafter. The hallway walls are 3 1/4 inch stained wood panel, while the ceiling is white painted dry wall. The eastern bedroom wall is dry wall and wood stud, with stained wood paneling covering the studs up to a height of eight feet. The ceiling to the bedroom is open log rafter. The western bathroom also has a combination of white painted dry wall and stained paneling walls. The ceiling is painted dry wall. The eastern bathroom has a board and batten wall with an open rafter ceiling. The exterior walls of the living room are unfinished log, with the chinking still intact. The northern living room wall has 3 1/4 inch wood panelling extending to a height of eight feet. Log supports extend above this wall to each rafter. The ceiling of the living room is open log rafter.

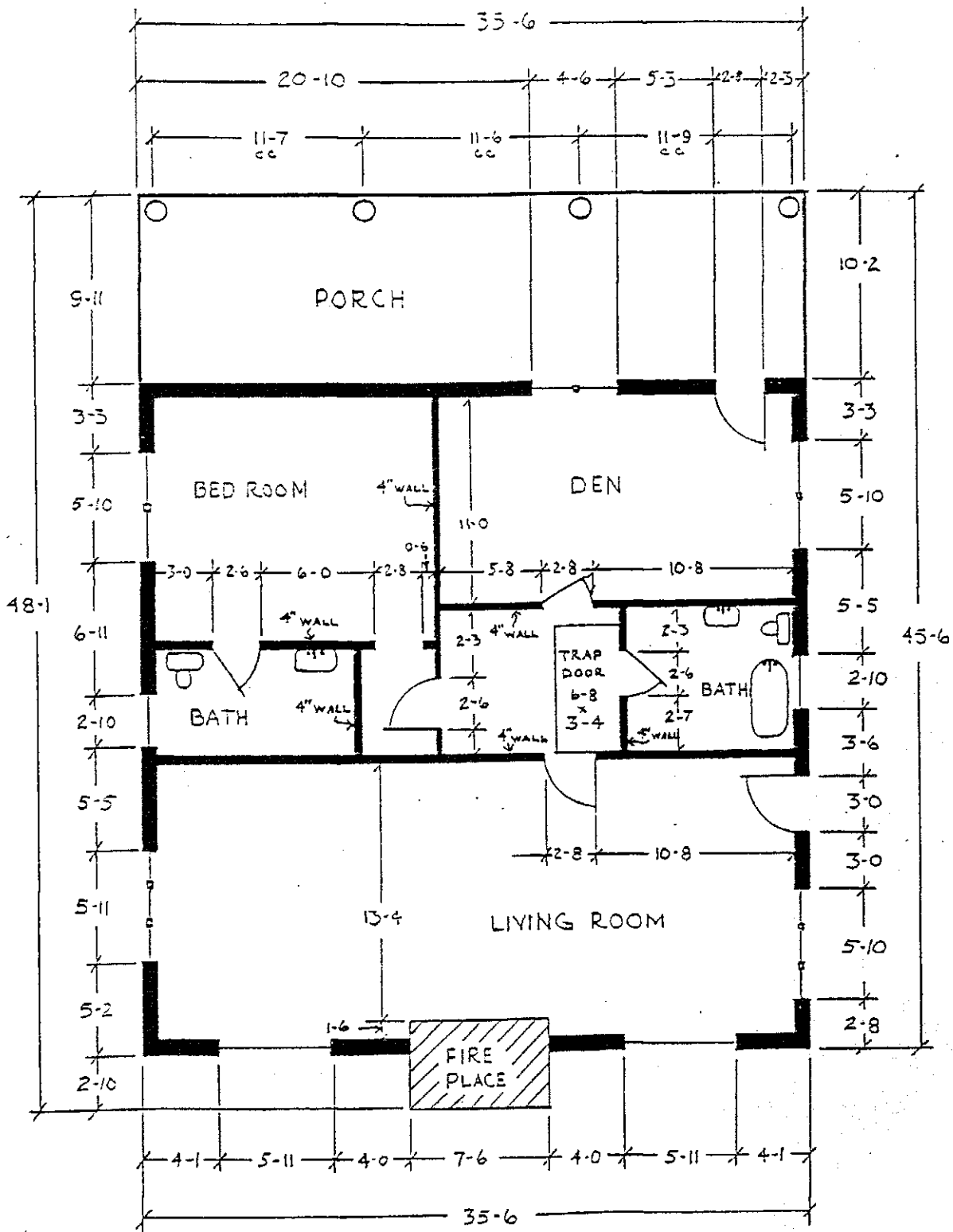
4. Openings:

- a. Doorways and doors: All of the interior doors, except for the bedroom door, are stained five panel wood doors with stained plain trim. The bedroom door is a stained two panel door with stained wood trim.
- b. Windows: All of the windows have stained plain trim and sills. The northern den window is a single 6/6 pane sliding sash window. The eastern windows of the den are two 6/6 pane double-hung sash windows, which are separated by a mullion. Both bathrooms have a single 6/6 double-hung sash window. The bedroom has two 6/6 pane double-hung sash windows separated by a mullion. The west and east walls of the living room have an eight pane, three unit sliding sash ribbon window. There are two 24 pane fixed sash windows on the south wall of the living room.

- 5. Decorative features and trim: The western bathroom has a large built in closet. This closet, which extends from the floor to the ceiling, has two horizontal rows of four doors. The fire place in the living room has a concrete foundation and is constructed of coarsed rubble. There is a handmade

wood frame fire place screen with an inset scroll decoration. There is also a handmade built-in bookcase with eight shelves along the northwestern wall of the living room.

6. Hardware: All of the interior doors have butt hinges and brass round door knobs on a rectangular base, which may be original.
7. Mechanical equipment: The bathrooms were plumbed for hot and cold running water, and the plumbing for a sink still exists in the den. The den and bedroom were heated by wood stove, while the living room had a fire place. The electrical wiring is exposed rubber coated wire. There is a single dropped bulb in the den as well as an outlet. The other rooms and hallway have light bulbs in sockets, with an additional outlet in the living room.



SCALE 1/8" = 1'-0"

